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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective May 29, 2000 provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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| Application Number | 09/944,311 |
| Filing Date | 30 August 2001 |
| First Named Inventor | Peter D.J. Dennis |
| Group/Art Unit | 2192 |
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| Attorney Docket Number | SUN-P6268 |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 for the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See, *Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice*, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Re. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission Required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. ☒ Previously submitted

- ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on 22 December 2005.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- ☐ Other:

b. ☒ Enclosed

- ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ☒ Other: PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

2. Miscellaneous

- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is request under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months.
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- ☐ Other:

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1003 (Docket No. SUN-P6268-PIP)
 - ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - ☒ Other: Please deduct any underpayments and credit any overpayments from Deposit Account Number 50-1003.
- ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 910.00, (\$790.00 for RCE fee and \$120.00 for extension of time) enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed).

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